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SUBJECT: VISIT TO TAIWAN IN JUNE
REF: (A) 77 STATE 081764, (B) 77 TAIPEI 1749

1. MAJOR GENERAL WILLIAM J. WHITE, USMC,
THE NEW CINCPAC J3, PLANNING TO VISIT TAIWAN JUNE
12-14 FOR A FAMILIARIZATION TRIP. HE HAS REQUESTED
CALLS ON THE AMBASSADOR AND REAR ADMIRAL LINDER,
DISCUSSIONS WITH TDC J3, AND VISITS TO DET 1 13TH
AIR FORCE AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE ROCAF COMBAT
AIR CENTER. TRAVEL WILL BE BY CINCPAC AIRBORNE
COMMAND POST EC 135 BLUE EAGLE.

2. LAST YEAR EMBASSY RECOMMENDED (REF. A) THAT
THE TRAVEL REQUEST OF WHITE'S PREDECESSOR, MAJOR
GENERAL GOURLEY, BE TURNED DOWN. DEPARTMENT
DECIDED TO APPROVE IT ON GROUNDS CINCPAC J3 HAS FORMAL
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR DEFENSE OF TAIWAN (REF. B).
NOT NOTED LAST YEAR WAS THAT GOURLEY'S PREDECESSOR,
GENERAL LANG, DID NOT VISIT TAIWAN DURING HIS TOUR
AS CINCPAC J3. RECOMMEND WE GO BACK TO STATUS QUO
ANTE GENERAL GOURLEY AND BEGIN TURNING OFF SUCH ROUTINE
VISITS BY FLAG/GENERAL OFFICERS. SULLIVAN

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